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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In the Northeast, weekly prices were higher on the larger sizes and unchanged on mediums. Prices in all other locations were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady entering the week. Demand was in a full range of light to very good. Supplies were fully adequate to close for current needs. Breaking stock demand was moderate to good for tight to sufficient offerings. Light type hens were adequate to fully sufficient for the light to fair demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were 2 cents higher for small with the balance of prices unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Cartoned egg sales ranged light to very good, generally moderate to good and occasionally better than expected. Loose egg demand was mostly moderate. Supplies were closely balanced to adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate for the moment with many breakers expecting supply channels to tighten as the week progresses. Demand was mostly good. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	65-74	67-71
LARGE	64-72	65-70
MEDIUM	50-58	53-55

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS

	RANGE
LARGE	47-51
MEDIUM	33-35
SMALL	14-18

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,western NY, and western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were higher for the larger sizes and unchanged on mediums when based on previous week's pricing. The market tone was generally steady entering the week. Demand into all channels ranged moderate to fairly good, better where features were present. Supplies were usually adequate for current trade needs. Breaking stock offerings ranged tight to adequate for the moderate to good demand. Light type hens were sufficient to fully sufficient for the mostly light to no better than fair demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	71-84	74-77
LARGE	66-81	71-73
MEDIUM	53-68	58-60

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices continue unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to instances fully steady as buyers and sellers evaluate post holiday positions. Retail demand moderate to generally good. Food service movement was moderate to good with vacation and resort areas providing the best interest. Supplies were in close balance to adequate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	73.5-81	74-75
LARGE	68.5-76	70-71
MEDIUM	53.5-60	55-57

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged when compared to previous week's pricing. The market tone was steady beginning the week. Demand ranged light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully sufficient for present requirements. Breaking stock demand was moderate to good for tight to adequate offerings. Light type fowl were sufficient to fully adequate for the mostly light to no better than fair demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	69.5-77	71-74
LARGE	68-75	69-72
MEDIUM	53.5-61	54-58

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, and southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged entering the week. Trade sentiment was steady as traders assess markets following the long holiday weekend. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were sufficient for current needs.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	80-84
LARGE	78-82
MEDIUM	65-69

CHICAGO Prices for all sizes unchanged. The market tone was steady. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate. Supplies adequate to closely balanced for current needs.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	70-76
LARGE	68-74
MEDIUM	54-60

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WESTERN Prices unchanged on all sizes throughout the region. The Pacific region inventory was 2% lower than last Monday with California up 3% and Oregon- Washington-Utah down 9%. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings adequate.

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged. The California inventory was 3% higher than last Monday. Retailer demand fair. Offerings adequate. Small benchmark price 68. No new ads noted in Northern California.

California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	114
EXTRA LARGE	109
LARGE	102
MEDIUM	88

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

	RANGE
JUMBO	259-339
EXTRA LARGE	259-319
LARGE	219-229
MEDIUM	199

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

	RANGE
JUMBO	255-339
EXTRA LARGE	239-319
LARGE	215-265
MEDIUM	189-215

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending July 11, 2003 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending July 04, 2003 were 230,223 cases which was 14 percent above the prior week and 5 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	192,649	37,574	230,223
% change from the prior week.....	+20	-9	+14

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 15 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate at this call with many breakers expecting additional breaking stock offerings to tighten as the week matures. Demand was mostly good. Schedules full-time. Floor stocks were balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN. **RANGE** **MOSTLY**

NEST RUN	49-51	50-51
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	35-40	

CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair for the at least adequate offerings. Finished product supplies were generally adequate. Processing schedules were mostly normal. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 07-JUL-03. **RANGE** **MAJORITY** **WTD AVG**

AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5.79-9	8-8.5	8.21
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were reduced. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 07-JUL-03

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD
	CENTS/LB.		AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6.5-11.25	8.25-8.75	8.66

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM JULY 07, 2003

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

			NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
	Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	9.5	15.5	5.9	11.0	9.6	51.5
	Change	-0.8	-1.9	-0.8	-0.3	-1.1	-9%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	22.4	36.4	11.1	21.0	33.4	124.3
	Change	-2.5	1.4	-3.4	-1.5	-10.0	-11%
Large	Curr Wk	37.6	110.9	69.3	73.8	125.9	417.5
	Change	-1.7	18.2	-1.5	-12.2	5.1	2%
Medium	Curr Wk	17.4	43.9	15.1	25.2	29.4	131.0
	Change	1.0	2.3	-1.1	1.9	-2.2	1%
Small	Curr Wk	5.4	6.5	4.1	7.2	5.9	29.1
	Change	1.0	1.0	0.9	2.6	2.6	39%
Misc	Curr Wk	5.6	24.8	7.2	12.8	5.4	55.8
	Change	1.4	4.4	-2.5	0.0	0.2	7%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	13.7	45.4	18.3	27.7	32.9	138.0
	Change	0.4	23.6	2.2	3.2	1.3	29%
Total	Curr Wk	111.6	283.4	131.0	178.7	242.5	947.2
Percent	Change	-1%	21%	-5%	-3%	-2%	3%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
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Shell Egg	947.2	3%	172
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	284.1	19%	35

Total Shell Egg	1,231.3	7%	207
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1/Information is supplied by a universe of 172 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggspacked for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe the total for the previous week on the breaking stock inventory was Adjusted. The revised figure is 237.9.

CANADIAN EGGS

MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 23, 2003

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	197.2	194.1	185.1	114.6

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 23, 2003 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	151	151	141	77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JULY 02, 2003

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
19.50								18.50								38.00							
		SE		NE		MW		LOADS				SC		NW		SW		LOADS					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST							
GNR W 1	—	—	54.00	55.00	55.00	56.50	6.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	70.00	1.25						
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	41.00	43.00	1.00	GL W XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	66.00	2.00						
GL W J	—	—	—	—	59.00	—	1.25	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	65.97	5.25						
GL W XL	—	—	64.00	66.00	58.00	—	4.00	GL W MD	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	52.00	1.00						
GL W LG	—	—	60.50	62.00	57.55	—	8.25	NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00						
GL W MD	—	—	40.00	42.00	42.86	44.00	5.00																
GL W SM	—	—	30.00	31.00	—	—	1.00																
GL BR LG	65.00	—	—	70.00	—	—	1.00																
NRBS - 48	49.50	—	—	—	49.00	51.00	10.00																
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	—	—	.50																

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 06/30/03-07/04/03

CURRENT LOADS 62.75								FUTURE LOADS 74.75				TOTAL LOADS 137.50					
SE		NE		MW		LOADS		SC		NW		SW		LOADS			
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS		
GNR W 1	—	54.00	53.88	55.38	55.00	56.50	11.00	GNR BR 1	66.00	68.00	—	—	—	—	1.00		
GNR W 3	—	43.00	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W J	65.00	—	—	—	—	70.45	5.50		
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	41.00	43.00	2.00	GL W XL	61.10	64.00	—	—	—	68.43	11.50		
GNR BR 1	—	63.00	—	—	—	61.00	2.00	GL W LG	57.29	60.60	—	—	—	66.17	11.75		
GL W J	—	—	—	—	57.75	—	5.00	GL W MD	44.88	52.00	47.00	—	—	52.27	8.25		
GL W XL	—	64.00	63.25	65.70	58.33	63.00	35.75	GL W SM	27.00	28.00	—	—	—	—	1.00		
GL W LG	—	67.00	60.75	62.73	57.80	58.00	16.75	NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	—	5.00		
GL W MD	—	—	45.00	46.50	43.12	43.67	14.25										
GL W SM	31.00	33.00	30.60	32.20	29.50	30.50	7.50										
GL BR LG	65.00	—	—	70.00	—	—	1.50										
NRBS - 48	49.50	—	48.00	48.88	53.00	51.41	53.00										
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	38.50	—	39.50	2.25										

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	06/30/03	06/23/03	07/01/02
PACIFIC COAST	95	78	292
LOS ANGELES	63	63	224

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on all sizes. The supply is adequate to meet the moderate demand.

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MOSTLY	
EXTRA LARGE	88.63
LARGE	85.63
MEDIUM	71.63
SMALL	52

HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS

Receipts from the mainland: 06/22/03-06/28/03
30-dozen case 5,780

Receipts from the mainland: 06/15/03-06/21/03
30-dozen case 7,581

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